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TAGS: CASC(JAMES, BRICE) (VRINDAPAPI DAS)

SUBJECT: BRICE JAMES AKA VRINDAPAPI DAS

1. CONGRESSMAN BUCHANAN INTERESTED.
2. PARENTS OF BRICE JAMES CONCERNED ABOUT HIS WELFARE.  
FOLLOWING INFORMATION RECEIVED FROM THEM THROUGH  
CONGRESSIONAL OFFICE:

A. BRICE JAMES AKA VRINDAPAPI DAS HAS BEEN IN CALCUTTA  
AREA FOR PAST SEVERAL YEARS, LAST KNOWN CITY OF RESIDENCE  
SRI DHAM MAYAPUR. MEMBER OF HARE KRISHNA. CABLE TO  
PARENTS ON AUGUST 2 REQUESTED MONEY FOR FOOD AND INDICATED  
THAT MONEY PREVIOUSLY SENT BY PARENTS FOR FOOD HAD BEEN  
TAKEN BY HARE KRISHNA GROUP. JAMES IS 5'8" TALL OF SLIGHT  
BUILD WITH DARK BROWN HAIR (MAY HAVE BEEN SHAVED OFF) AND  
BROWN EYES, WEARS GLASSES. HE IS KNOWN TO HAVE BEEN IN  
LOCAL HOSPITALS SEVERAL TIMES, ONCE SUFFERING FROM  
MALNUTRITION. PREVIOUS LETTERS TO HIS PARENTS INDICATED  
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THAT HE HAS BEEN PUNISHED BY HARE KRISHNA GROUP.

B. IN LETTER PRIOR TO AUGUST 2 CABLE JAMES INDICATED HE  
HAD OBTAINED A VISA TO GO TO BURMA, PARENTS BELIEVE HE HAS  
NOT REPEAT NOT YET GONE BECAUSE GROUP TOOK MONEY. HE

REQUESTED MONEY BE SENT TO HIM C/9 STYLE-O-PRINT, 4 RAM

MOHAN ROY ROAD, CALCUTTA 9, INDIA 700009. PARENTS UNDER-  
STAND STYLE-O-PRINT OWNER IS HARE KRISHNA MEMBER BUT  
NOT MEMBER OF THE TEMPLE WHERE JAMES CURRENTLY RESIDES.

C. PARENTS NOT PARTICULARLY CONCERNED ABOUT WHEREABOUTS  
BUT VERY WORRIED ABOUT HIS HEALTH. THEY SAY IF HE WANTS  
TO COME HOME THEY WILL PROVIDE MONEY.

D. PARENTS STATE JAMES HAD PASSPORT RENEWED WITHIN LAST  
THREE OR FOUR MONTHS, PROBABLY LATE MAY OR EARLY JUNE, IN  
INDIA, POST NOT SPECIFIED.

3. POST REQUESTED ATTEMPT LOCATE JAMES BRICE, OFFER  
APPROPRIATE ADVICE/ASSISTANCE, OBTAIN PRIVACY ACT  
AUTHORIZATION AND SEND FULL REPORT TO DEPARTMENT. VANCE

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